

# ROMNEY CALLED FRONT RUNNER

## Benton Hit-Run Killer Is Hunted

Howard L. Galehouse Dies At 59



Has Heart Attack In Battle Creek

Howard L. Galehouse, 59, established of the first medical laboratory in this community and a highly respected member of the area medical fraternity, died at 4 p.m. Sunday of a heart attack in a Battle Creek restaurant.

A graduate bacteriologist, Mr. Galehouse, 59, served as supervisor of medical laboratories of Mercy, Memorial, and Waterman community hospitals, and the Clinical Laboratory in the Fidelity building, Benton Harbor.

Born May 19, 1907, in Decatur, Mr. Galehouse attended Michigan State University in East Lansing and the University of Cincinnati. He earned his graduate bacteriology degree and came to Benton Harbor in 1933.

**MEDICAL CAREER**

He joined the staff of Mercy Hospital as head of the laboratory department in 1934 and was previously employed at the Battle Creek Sanitarium, Sparrow Hospital in Lansing, and the State Health Department.

A World War II veteran, Mr. Galehouse served in the Army Medical Administrative Corps from 1942 to 1946 in the Pacific Theater. He attained the rank of major.

He married the former Hazel Phillips in 1945 in San Antonio, Tex. She preceded him in death.

## Search For Girls Near Stevensville

Trio Missing Since July; No Traces Found

Twenty Civil Air Patrol volunteers and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Blough, parents of one of three Chicago area girls missing from Indiana Dunes state park since July 2, searched a swampy area near Stevensville for traces of the trio for six hours yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Blough asked for aid after receiving two anonymous letters from separate sources suggesting a search of the same location, about 40 miles east of the park, near the Lake Michigan beach on which a barn or riding stable was located. The area searched

is near an abandoned riding stable on the south edge of Stevensville, immediately east of Interstate highway 94.

### NAME MISSING GIRLS

The missing girls are Miss Patricia Blough, 19, Westchester; Miss Ana Miller, 21, of York Center, and Mrs. Renee Bruehl, 19, of Westchester. Girls fitting their description were seen getting into a turquoise and white boat near where their shoes and purses lay on a blanket July 2.

Yesterday, officers and cadets of the west suburban Chicago wing of the civil air patrol waded in high boots through the swampy area, which is about a block wide and a mile long, and found nothing.

Blough said they were looking for disturbed ground. "I prayed we wouldn't find them in a grave there, but it was something we had to do for our peace of mind."

### INDIANA POLICE THEORY

Indiana state police have theorized that the girls may have disappeared voluntarily, since they all were good swimmers and there was no evidence of foul play. But Blough said he could not believe that the girls could have conspired to disappear because they left everything on the beach and at home and he feared they had been murdered.

Blough received one of the letters in September and the other in October. He said they had looked for the area described, but did not find it until last Sunday, when snow prevented a search.

## Honeymoon Flight Ends In Disaster

MATSUYAMA, Japan (AP) — Six planes and 60 boats continued the search of Japan's inland sea today for any of the 22 honeymooners and 28 other Japanese who might have survived the crash of a Japanese airliner in a rainstorm Sunday night.

The searchers recovered 21 badly battered bodies.

There were 45 passengers and five crew members aboard the Japanese-made propjet plane.

It was the fourth major air crash in Japan this year and the second of an All-Nippon Airways plane. A total of 321 persons died in the other three.

The newlyweds aboard — Sunday is considered auspicious for marriages in Japan — were heading for seaside resorts.

The plane overshot the runway on its first attempt to land, bounced on the runway, climbed into the night sky, veered sharply and fell seconds later about 1.5 miles off shore.

## Township Has Two Car Deaths

Identity Of One Victim Sought

Benton township police today are seeking the driver of a gold-colored 1959 Pontiac auto that is believed to have struck and killed a pedestrian on Red Arrow and then fled the scene early today.

The pedestrian, still unidentified shortly before noon today, was one of two men killed in traffic accidents in Benton township over the weekend. The deaths boosted Berrien county's traffic toll to 49 this year.

Killed about 1:30 this morning was an unidentified white man 35 to 40 years old. He was dead at the scene of the mishap, on Red Arrow highway near Crystal Avenue, where he apparently had been struck by a car driven by a hit-and-run driver.

Andrew C. Law, 59, of 650 South Crystal Avenue, Benton township, was dead on arrival at Mercy Hospital after an Empire Avenue crash about noon Saturday.

Benton Township Police Sgt. Jack Drach said Law was alone in a car headed west on Empire Avenue. About one-fourth of a mile east of the I-94 overpass Law's car ran off the west side of the road, hit a mailbox owned by E. W. Eichler, route 2,

and then struck a large tree. According to Drach, Law was still alive at the scene, but apparently died in the ambulance en route to the hospital. The hospital reported his principal injuries were a crushed chest and a broken neck.

The mishap was reported to township police at 11:58 a.m. Saturday.

**BODY ON ROAD**

Police were notified at 1:31 a.m. today that a man was lying in the road on Red Arrow highway.

Sgt. Paul Farris and Patrolman Jack Hall found the body of the unidentified man about 100 feet west of Crystal Avenue in the eastbound lane of the highway.

Hall said the victim apparently was buried 99 feet by a westbound car on Red Arrow highway. The impact left the man's shoes and pants almost at the point where he was struck and the victim was naked from the

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ANDREW C. LAW  
Benton Man Killed



ROMNEY 'UNDECIDED': Michigan's Republican Gov. George Romney as he appeared on NBC's television-radio program, *Meet the Press*, Sunday from Washington. His election to a third term as Michigan governor by a wide margin in Nov. 8 voting



has brought his name into prominence in possible GOP plans to recapture the Presidency in 1968. Romney said he would decide later whether to become involved or not. The program was taped in Washington Saturday. (AP Wirephoto).

## 'Cookie The Cop' Dies At Age 73

## Retired Policeman 'Helped' Santa For 30 Years

Gottlieb Bernard Koch, known better as "Cookie the Cop" but idolized by generations of Twin City children as Santa Claus, died Sunday at Memorial Hospital. He was 73.

"He looked more like Santa Claus than Santa did himself," was a frequent comment when Mr. Koch took his place on a throne and began welcoming children around Christmas time.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. from Trinity Lutheran church with the Rev. Albert P. Knoll officiating. Interment will be in North Shore memory gardens.

Memorials may be made to "The Lutheran Hour."

Friends may call at the Dey Bros. funeral home.

**FORMER BAKER**

Mr. Koch, by trade a baker, joined the St. Joseph police force July 1, 1931. He retired from active duty from the force on July 1, 1958, but continued as a parking meter checker until 1959.

Each year for some 30 years, until he became too ill to leave his home about two years ago, Mr. Koch served as Santa Claus at any and all functions requiring the appearance of St. Nick. He had suffered from a heart condition for the past five years. He entered the hospital early Sunday.

He was the American Legion Santa Claus, he rode the St. Joseph fire truck to serve as Santa for the St. Joseph Business Division, appeared at school functions around Christmas time and visited homes to mark the Christmas season with a "Visit by St. Nicholas."

**HAD 3 SANTA SUITS**

He had three Santa suits and kept them up perfectly but his physical characteristics of a smiling, chubby face and twinkling eyes were his Santa trademark.

He started in as Santa's helper and later assumed the top job as St. Nick. Mr. Koch did it so successfully that his role as Santa was never challenged for some 30 years.

Mr. Koch was born Aug. 1, 1893 in Russia and came to St. Joseph with his family in 1901.

He once owned his own bakery shop.

**EARLY CAREER**

He joined the St. Joseph police force when the department had only one auto, when the working day was 12 hours long and traffic congestion was greater than it is now.

Commented Mr. Koch after his retirement from the force: "I'll never forget my first day on the force back in July of '31. It was hot as blazes. In those days we wore puttees, too. I had blisters on my feet as big



G. B. KOCH

## His Wife DID Hear Burglar

Firm's Owner Captures Suspect

A 24-year-old Benton Harbor man during an apparent burglary was captured inside the Acme Rug and Dry Cleaners building, 1280 M-139 South, Benton township, early Sunday morning.

According to Benton Harbor police, Bobby Withrow, 169 Bellview street, was subdued by Charles Bridwell, owner of the establishment who lives with his wife in an apartment above the plant. Bridwell is a former president of the Twin Cities Jaycees.

Bridwell said he was awakened by his wife about 1 a.m. He said he went downstairs to investigate noises his wife heard and found a man inside the building prying on a vending machine.

**FIGHTS BACK**

Bridwell and the man exchanged blows before Bridwell got the upper hand and held the intruder while his wife called Sgt. Paul Farris and Patrolman Thomas Garland of the township



CHARLES BRIDWELL  
Subdues Burglar

police to the scene. Withrow was taken into custody and charged with burglary. Township police later picked up Stirl E. "Little Red" Thomas, 21, of 176½ Kirby street, Benton Harbor, and jailed him as co-suspect in the burglary.

## Michigan Road Toll Held To 12

By Associated Press

Michigan recorded its lowest weekend traffic death toll this fall—12 victims — during the past weekend.

Romney, meanwhile, said he still hasn't decided whether to run for president.

Goldwater was asked Sunday on ABC's "Issues and Answers" if he were collaborating with Nixon to stop Romney, as the questioner said, "it has been written and reported."

"No that is not true," said Goldwater. "I happen to be a Nixon backer, but I haven't seen Dick Nixon in person in over three months."

Nixon is regarded as another likely candidate for the nomination.

**ROMNEY'S POSITION**

Romney, appearing on NBC's "Meet the Press," continued his move to gloss over old differences with Goldwater.

Though saying "I just haven't made a decision" on whether to run for president, Romney was his most candid so far. In acknowledging he is thinking about running.

He and Goldwater did join in attacking Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara in the wake of McNamara's announcement that the Soviet Union is deploying an antimissile system.

"Just another incident of where McNamara is not leveling with the American people," said Goldwater.

"Perhaps we have a gap in this (antimissile) respect now as a result of mismanagement of these Democratic administrations," said Romney.

On GOP politics, Romney said, "I am not interested in going back and taking a look at the past."

**GOLDWATER'S VIEW**

But Goldwater was interested, saying: "Romney is a Republican. He calls himself one. But it has only been in this campaign that he has publicly done this. Now this may not mean anything to the rank and file American, but it means a lot to those people who work in Republican politics. He has a lot of home work to do and a lot of spade work to do in the

area of work to do in the

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that Democrats won in statewide balloting. In Berrien, GOP candidate George Washington collected 22,871 for secretary of state. Democrat James Hare had 19,287. GOP attorney general candidate Lawrence Lindemer had 24,741 and Democrat Frank Kelley 16,913. Hare and Kelley were state-wide winners.

In the race for the U.S. Senate vacancy, Sen. Robert Griffin had 26,791, to 14,918 for former governor G. Mennen Williams. In the race for the full senate term, Griffin had 27,164 and Williams 15,408.

In the Fourth U.S. Congressional district race, Rep. Edward Hutchinson had a 27,728 to 14,330 margin over his Democratic challenger, John V. Martin.

In the state Senate race (22nd district), Sen. Charles Zollar coasted to a 27,665 to 14,791 victory over Democrat Paul C. Clark. With only a small section of the 42nd representative district in Berrien county, Republican DeForrest Strang had 3,827 and Democrat Charles LaSata 2,956.

In the 43rd district race, Rep. Don Pears had 14,506 Berrien county votes, to 5,579 for Democrat Laurel Groenke. Lionel Stacey collected 8,660 Berrien votes in the 44th district race.

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# Editorials

## Aggression At The Wheel

Men traditionally are more aggressive than women in politics, business and industry. A Dallas psychiatrist has revealed the trait carries through into motoring as well. Dr. Thomas H. Allison is convinced that is why men have more automobile accidents than women.

Dr. Allison believes psychiatry should play a wider role in motoring than it does. For example, he notes that many of the signs of aggression on the part of the driver are evident in his manner at the wheel. Screeching tires, weaving in and out of traffic (especially at high rates of speed) and honking horns are examples.

"Often," cautions the Dallas psychiatrist, "the habitual traffic violator is impulsive when under stress, and is irresponsible in all his living experiences." That is, he drives as he lives, which should not be surprising.

Recognizing that behavioral patterns are reflected in careless or dangerous driving habits, what can be done to minimize or remove aggressive attitudes from behind the wheel of an auto?

Dr. Allison has an answer. It is continued driver education and periodic re-examination of driver abilities.

"The group of people who have repeated accidents need to be re-evaluated from the medical and psychological standpoint. Then there should be some way recommendations from medical findings may be taken into consideration when re-issuing licenses."

In a mobile age such as this, threatening the loss of licenses as a cure for high accident rates is a strong remedy which can work hardships on many persons. In many cases, perhaps medical help could be employed to overcome the basic personality faults which lie underneath aggressive motoring tendencies.

But if such widespread help cannot be made available for this purpose, the inconvenience and hardships of losing driving privileges are minor compared to the potential consequences on the highways.

## Free-Wheeling College

Take a college which has no fixed terms for graduation, permits students to study and advance at their own pace, and divides the organization into four schools instead of departments — and you have Hampshire College.

Hampshire, the product of a \$6 million pledge from a retired New York lawyer, will open its doors at Amherst, Mass., in 1969.

Hampshire College will have an advantage over many already established schools, in introducing far-reaching innovations in higher education, because it has no inertia to overcome. In fact, the administration appears dedicated to establishment of a totally new concept in higher education.

Not only will students have no time requirements for graduation placed upon them, no prescribed course credits are required to complete their studies. Comprehensive testing and independent study will be the keys to Hampshire graduation.

Students who work hard at the business at hand may receive their degree just as rapidly as their abilities and industry will carry them.

Another departure from many other institutions of higher learning at Hampshire will be emphasis on young teachers without previous experience. Dr. Franklin K. Patterson, president of the school, has proposed that a high proportion of the faculty be recruited from the ranks of teachers who have just completed their graduate work. Fresh ideas and enthusiasm are given higher priorities than experience.

Other innovations will add to the general atmosphere of student participation at the coeducational school, with the result that the student body at Hampshire will have far greater control over the education process, individually and as a group, than is possible at the great majority of existing colleges.

What remains to be demonstrated is that the student body will respond with the maturity, leadership and initiative the Hampshire administration hopes for. It is a challenge to sincere students they cannot afford to lose.

## Rehabilitating Alcoholics

A U.S. District Court ruling that chronic alcoholism is a disease and not a crime and that its victims can be ordered to seek treatment but cannot be jailed is causing some hard and currently expensive readjustment in Washington. But the outcome may set a national pattern.

Washington has approximately 5,000 hard-core Skid Row chronic alcoholics. Because treatment facilities are inadequate, judges have been freeing them after police arrest them. Washington's public health director says these men are worse off than those who formerly were able to "dry out" behind bars.

As a result of the situation, a District Commissioners' committee on alcoholism has recommended that Washington seek \$1 million from Congress to treat alcoholics. It also sharply criticized the commission for ignoring for 19 years a law passed by Congress calling for medical treatment of alcoholics.

Eventually, Washington is expected to have the facilities needed to attempt to rehabilitate its chronic alcoholics. The facilities would consist of both "in" and "out" patient clinics and half-way houses.

Chronic alcoholics are a burden and expense to police. Despite its logic, the idea of attempting to cure alcoholics instead of going through the costly routine of arresting them over and over again never has been given serious consideration.

The potential rate of cure for alcoholism is higher than it is for some other harmful habits, like taking narcotics. The Washington experiment might point the way for other communities to diminish the problem of alcoholism and salvage human beings.

## The Word On Taxes

The long upward trend in interest rates is now "past history," President Johnson has been advised by his Council of Economic Advisers. But business apparently is still under the influence despite the council's report that the nation has now experienced two consecutive months of easing interest rates.

After its monthly survey, the National Association of Purchasing Agents said "there is little doubt but that the near-chaotic money situation is being felt across the board in business, from inventory policy to capital expansion." Evidence that tight money is causing a change in buying policy is the abrupt drop in inventory accumulation reported by the association.

The conflict between the economic council's rosy report on interest rates and what is actually going on in the money market merely adds to the "various uncertainties" deplored by the purchasing agents. An example of another major uncertainty bothering individuals as well as business is what the administration intends to do about taxes now that the election is out of the way.

Thus far the public has had nothing but high-level contradictions on the subject of taxes. The man who will finally settle the tax question probably will be Defense Secretary McNamara who has informed Mr. Johnson it would be several weeks before he can determine how much extra money will be needed for his department next year.

## I'M A PIKER



## THE HERALD-PRESS

### EDITORIAL PAGE

#### Glancing Backwards —

##### CHURCH WING IS DEDICATED

Dedication and open house for a new church education building at St. John's United Church of Christ in New Buffalo was held today at 3 p.m. with a social hour following at 4:30 o'clock. Mrs. Edward Paloucek gave the prelude and the Rev. Henry Kroehler, Michigan conference minister of East Lansing, gave the greeting. Charles Topp, president of the congregation, received the keys from Frank Rudecki, contractor.

The building, next to the church, contains an auditorium and six classrooms. The original location of the church was elsewhere and the building was moved to present location. It originally was the German United Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of New Buffalo and was organized Oct. 30, 1858.

##### CENTENNIAL FARM MARKED AT GALIEN

"Centennial Farm, owned by the same family over 100 years," says the marker presented to Oren and Lucy Noggle by the Michigan Historical Commission. And the history of that family could serve as a chronicle for Galien. The farm

now has 112 acres and is operated by the Oren Noggles. It has been in the family since May 12, 1855. Its history and the history of the family have been carefully recorded by Oren Noggle's father, the late Frank Davidson Noggle.

The Noggle family first immigrated to this country early in the 19th century. Followers of John Huss, the family fled to this country following the religious reformer's death. Here they hoped to escape persecution. Perry Noggle, Frank's father, settled in Galien and worked in a Galien lumber mill taking his wages in stump land, acquiring about 40 acres of land, the original centennial farm.

##### TORPEDO SINKS 'ARK ROYAL'

The three year old, \$16,000,000 British aircraft carrier Ark Royal was torpedoed late yesterday east of Gibraltar, probably by an Italian submarine and sank early today despite a desperate effort to bring the listing giant safely to port. She carried down with her an undisclosed number of her crew of about 1,600 men who remained aboard in the struggle to

save the ship.

The story of the sinking, pieced together from admiral's brief announcement and word from authoritative quarters, was that the Ark Royal was not in action when she was torpedoed and that she was enroute to Gibraltar. The strong suggestion was that an Italian submarine was the victor, although there was no positive identification.

##### STUDIO OPENED

A new photography studio, the Nuechterlein Studio, was opened today at 204 State street under the management of Winfred (Doc) Nuechterlein.

##### PASTOR ILL

The Rev. Thomas Stoerie, pastor of the German Baptist church, has been ill several days but will be able to be back in his pulpit on Sunday.

##### TO GAME

Stuart Barlow will attend the Chicago-Cornell football game.

## Inside Washington

By HENRY CATHCART

WASHINGTON — U.S. serv-

icemen lately being rotated back to the United States at the conclusion of their one-year hitches in Viet Nam are bringing back some impressions of the conduct of the war that haven't been conveyed by the Pentagon or the press.

Foremost is the complaint that there are "too many men" assigned to jobs in South Viet Nam. Some returning GIs claim that there are at least three men for each one-man task to be done. They tell of areas where men have little or nothing to do for weeks and months at a time.

This complaint is coupled with the natural question of why they were shipped over and taken from their families and civilian tasks if they were not needed. One natural answer, of course, is that the sheer numbers of military present acts as a deterrent to overt actions by the Red Chinese. Another is that should the war suddenly be escalated by the enemy, there would be troops and supplies to

withstand the initial assaults.

Another complaint deals with the unavailability of supplies and of monumental waste. Stories on this subject tell of a lack of equipment at supply depots while the very same material sought is obtainable on the Saigon black market. Stories of waste are rampant — of all kinds of gear lying in ditches after falling from trucks, etc.

Tellers of these tales go on to relate how the "scrounging" method of acquiring needed material has reached a new degree of perfection, with their supply sergeant the key to their creature comforts.

Simply put, the complaints deal with the fact that war is wasteful, and our current crop of combat troops is seeing it on a grand scale for the first time.

## TRY AND STOP ME

By BENNETT CERF

When the late Sherman Billingsley's Stork Club was the place in Manhattan for "in"

people, there was nothing, recalls Earl Blackwell, that could disturb Sherman's gentlemanly aplomb. Once Ernest Hemingway picked up a twelve-dollar tab at Table Number One and offered in payment a check for \$150,000 he had received that day from the movie makers of "For Whom the Bell Tolls." Billingsley pocketed the check without blinking an eye and remarked casually, "Can you wait a few minutes for your change?"

They'll never stop telling stories about the New York Mets' original first baseman, Marv Throneberry. Arthur Daley recalls a day when Marv banged out a triple with the score tied in the ninth inning — then was called out for failing to touch first base. Manager Casey Stengel came roaring out of the dugout to

protest. "Save your breath," advised the umpire. "He didn't touch second base either."

A race track aficionado nudged the owner of a nag about to run his first race on a local track and asked, "Can this horse of yours run a mile and a half?" The owner responded, "He probably can — if you don't mind waiting for him."

# Features

## speaking of YOUR HEALTH

By Lester L. Coleman, M. D.

Is the skin condition pityriasis rosea a hereditary or contagious disease?

This rather strange skin condition is mild and almost always disappears in three or four weeks with or without any form of treatment.

It first appears as a single "mother" patch about the size of a quarter which is rose colored, circular and scaly.

Sometimes it resembles a ringworm infection. About five to eight days after the single patch appears there is an eruption all over the body mostly on the arms and rarely on the face.

The name means "red and scaly" which characterizes the skin eruption. Sometimes the itching becomes very severe until it is relieved with medication.

The symptoms of skin conditions are few and, therefore, the exact diagnosis can only be decided by the dermatologist or skin specialist.

This condition is not a hereditary one.

Even though it is thought to be caused by a virus, it is not markedly contagious.

The spring and the autumn are the times when rosea occurs.

Treatment is directed to relieve the severe itching (pruritis). Exposure to sunlight or ultraviolet rays seems to make the condition disappear more rapidly.

What is the danger of regularly taking an antibiotic during the winter to prevent colds or infections?

The defense mechanism of the body is usually quite sufficient to handle the invasion of germs and viruses. When this defense mechanism is inadequate, only then should the antibiotics and sulfa drugs be used.

## CONTRACT BRIDGE . . .

By B. Jay Becker

I doubted, for reasons not exactly clear at this moment.

My partner cashed the ace of hearts and shifted to the ace of clubs, which, as expected, declared ruffed. Weiss could see that the contract depended on losing no diamond tricks.

The normal play with this diamond holding is to lead the A-K and hope for the queen to drop on either the first or second round. But Weiss knew he was not dealing with a normal hand. West's jump to four hearts indicated freakish distribution and Weiss decided that the situation called for abnormal play.

Accordingly, after cashing the K-A of spades, he led the jack of diamonds from dummy. I played the seven with apparently not a care in the world, but it did me no good. Weiss huddled a while, afraid that the long queen might be on his left, but finally came up with the right answer. He finessed, and thus made the slam.

It would not have helped me to cover the jack with the queen. On the bidding, Weiss was convinced that West had at most one diamond, and the odds were 3 to 1 against its being the queen. Had I covered, he would have returned to dummy and finessed against the ten.

I should have bid seven hearts.

## today's GRAB . . .

By Ruth Ramsey, Central Press Writer

### TIE ANSWER, QUICK!

1. How long is a round in professional boxing?
2. What nation was first to require a periodic census?
3. Who gave Greenland its name?
4. What is a troglodyte?
5. How long is a chiliad?

### IT'S BEEN SAID

In life it is difficult to say who does you the most mischief — enemies with the worst intentions, or friends with the best. — Anon.

### IT HAPPENED TODAY

On this day in 1832, the first streetcar in the world made its appearance on the streets of New York City.

### YOUR FUTURE

A day of steady progress. Today's child will be energetic, successful.

### BORN TODAY

Indian statesman Jawaharlal Nehru was born in New Delhi, India, in 1889. Of the high Brahman caste, he was educated at Harrow and Cambridge, and was admitted to the bar in 1912.

Practicing in India, his joining the movement for Indian independence became inevitable, and by 1929, he was a secretary of the Indian National Congress. Nehru's activity in the civil disobedience campaigns of the early 1930's resulted not only in his own imprisonment, but im-

### WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE

DEVILMENT — (D E V - e - l - m - e n - t) — noun; devilish action or conduct; mischief.

1. Three minutes.
2. The United States.
3. Eric the Red.
4. A cave dweller.
5. 1,000 years.

## Factographs

The largest house in England, Buckingham Palace, contains more than 2,000 principal rooms.

The Nobel Prizes were established by the will of the late Alfred Nobel, Swedish inventor of dynamite.

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Twin City  
News

ST. JOSEPH, MICH., MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1966

## ST. JOE APPARENTLY WILL SELL TO OLIPRA

Decision  
Date Is  
Advanced

Zisook Attorney  
Objects; Cites  
'Pressure Play'

The St. Joseph city commission reportedly will pick the developer for one of its prime urban renewal blocks tonight, after apparently advancing the date for making the decision at a secret meeting last Tuesday. The attorney for another prospective developer, meanwhile, hurled a charge of "pressure" against the firm that is expected to be awarded the redevelopment rights tonight.

Since only Olipra & Associates Realty Service of Franklin Park, Ill., has made a formal offer for the land, it appears the commission will award the land to them.

A second firm, Zisook Hotel System, Inc., of Chicago, has expressed an interest in the block but has not made a formal offer.

Meeting last Tuesday at City Manager Leland Hill's home, the commission changed the decision date a second time, apparently in response to an ultimatum from Andrew S. Olipra. The ultimatum, in a letter to the commission, was that the city must decide who will develop the block bounded by Main, Ship, State and Port streets by Nov. 16 or Olipra will pull out.

### DEPOSIT NOTICE

Last Wednesday, Mayor William Rill sent a letter to Seymour J. Zisook of Zisook Hotel System, Inc., saying the firm must deposit \$75,000 and certain documents in city hall by 5 p.m. Friday.

City hall was closed Friday because it was Veterans' Day. Rill told Zisook the money and documents could be left at the police department before 7 p.m. In a letter dated Friday, Atty. David VanderPloeg, who represents Zisook, told the commission Zisook could not meet the latest time schedule.

VanderPloeg contends that the Zisooks were unable to prepare the schedule of starting and completion dates, and general plan, the redevelopers statement of public disclosure and the redevelopers statement of qualifications and financial responsibility, because they were informed earlier this year that Olipra had an option on the land through Sept. 1.

**LITTLE POINT** This VanderPloeg claims, prompted the Zisooks to abandon any work on acquisition of the block because it seemed pointless.

They did not learn no option existed until September, he has said.

"Insistence by you," wrote VanderPloeg, "that these requirements be met will effectively deny the Whitcomb Hotel (which the Zisooks operate under a lease-purchase agreement) the opportunity to make a proposal in respect to Block 4. . . . We are simply asking that the commission grant the Whitcomb hotel a reasonable opportunity to present its proposal for the redevelopment . . . in accordance with your previous decision."

The commission on Oct. 24 set Dec. 16 as the date money and documents must be in city hall and Jan. 9 as the date the redeveloper would be selected.

### CITES 'PRESSURE'

More of VanderPloeg's letter follows:

"It is submitted that the deadline provided in the offer of Olipra & Associates is a bald

## 'Head Start' Will Be Year Around Program

A preschool program similar to Head Start will be launched in the Benton Harbor school district with funds provided by the state act of 1966-67. Assistant Superintendent Donald McAlvey announced that 80 three and four year olds will be enrolled in the program conducted at three centers—First Pres-

byterian, First Baptist and Pilgrim Rest Baptist churches. The project will get underway as soon as four certified teachers are hired, McAlvey said. Teachers can apply at the school administration office. The preschool training is designed to prepare culturally disadvantaged youngsters for formal educa-

tion, the same as Head Start which operates in the summer. Preschool training was among three projects costing \$82,400 approved for the district by the Michigan Board of Education. Also authorized were continuance of power-auto mechanics and electricity-electronics courses at the high school and an in-service training program for teachers.

## ALL SET FOR COLLEGE NIGHT



**PASTOR HONORED:** The Rev. W. E. Ellis and his wife, Birdie, are shown at a testimonial dinner in Holiday Inn Saturday night. About 120 members of his congregation and representatives of other churches turned out for the \$10 a plate dinner in his honor. Rev. Ellis has been pastor of Pilgrim Rest Baptist church, 1105 East Main street, for 26 years. Featured speaker for the evening was Berrien Circuit Judge Elect Chester Byrns. Serving as master of ceremonies was George Westfield, assistant chief juvenile probation officer. (Staff photo)

faced attempt to pressure the commission into an early decision, which will effectively eliminate competition.

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This creates a conflict of interest, Killian has said.

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The city charter provides:

## 'Preview' For Area Students

### 33 Institutions Are Represented

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## Local Man Is Charged In Assault

### Complainant Cut With Beer Glass

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The unoccupied dwelling on Lakeshore drive is owned by Mrs. Priscilla Mueller. Firemen from the Douglas and Saugatuck departments, who fought the blaze for 1½ hours after it was reported by a passerby at 9:15 a.m., said the cause is unknown. No estimate of damage was made.

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That is the warning issued by county police chiefs and the sheriff.

All county law enforcement agencies are cooperating in a safety enforcement emphasis program. Patrol officers have been instructed to increase violator contacts during the four-month period.

In an effort to identify and bring to the motorist's attention vehicle safety equipment needing maintenance attention, officers will be checking the condition of all vehicles stopped for violations.

## LIST OF ITEMS

Items to be checked are:  
— Steering: for excessive play or hard operation.  
— Brakes: for effectiveness.  
— Horn: for operation and loudness.  
— Mirrors: for adjustment and clarity.  
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— Other lights: for proper working order.  
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— Exhaust system: for leaks or noise.

## STRONGER LAWS

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Statewide organizations backing the program include the Michigan Sheriff's Association; Michigan State Police; Michigan State Safety Commission; Michigan Federation of Safety Organizations; Traffic Safety for Michigan, Inc., (which underwrote the publication of program materials); and Michigan State University Highway Traffic Safety Center (which is handling the statewide compilation and summarization of reports).

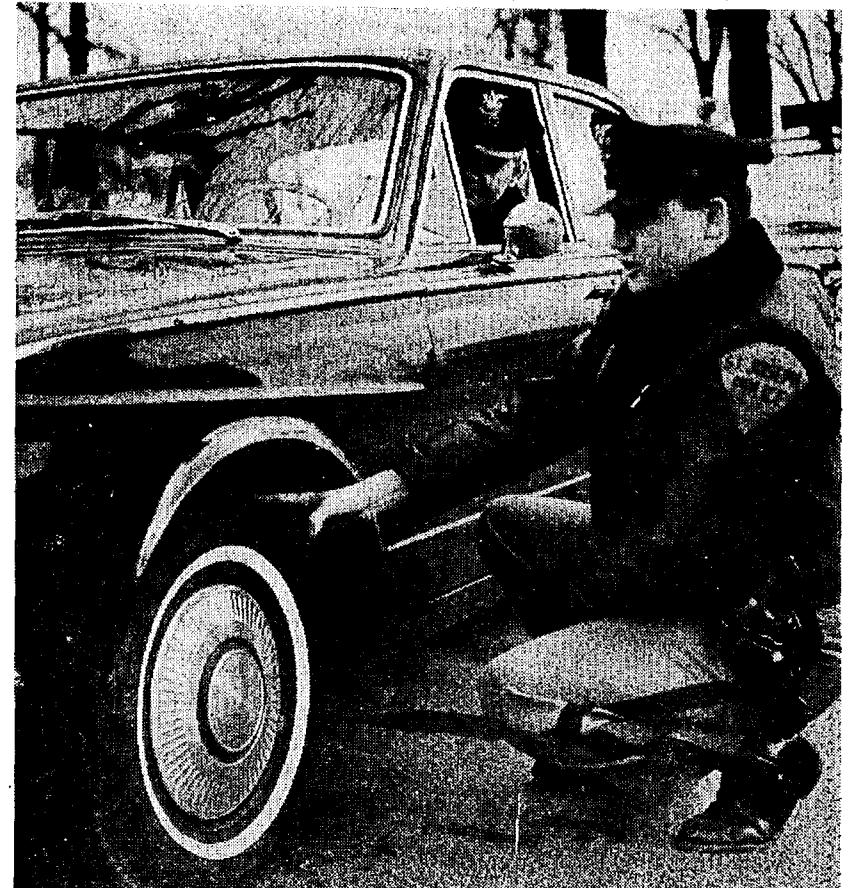
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Wayne Township Hall  
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State police said Arthur M. DeBest, 67, route 2, Bangor, was hospitalized for treatment of chest injuries sustained in the crash and possible heart attack.

Troopers said the DeBest vehicle left M-43 and collided head on with a tree around 7:45 a.m. They said there were no skid marks at the scene which indicated that DeBest had been stricken just prior to the crash.

SOUTH HAVEN — A large summer home located one mile south of Douglas was gutted by fire Sunday morning.

The unoccupied dwelling on Lakeshore drive is owned by Mrs. Priscilla Mueller. Firemen from the Douglas and Saugatuck departments, who fought the blaze for 1½ hours after it was reported by a passerby at 9:15 a.m., said the cause is unknown. No estimate of damage was made.

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Motorists  
Given Fair  
WarningBerrien Drive  
To Combat Rising  
Traffic Toll

By CHIEF NEWMAN  
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Motorists stopped in Berrien county during the next four months by a law enforcement officer should be prepared to have their vehicle's condition and the status of their operator's license checked.

That is the warning issued by county police chiefs and the sheriff.

All county law enforcement agencies are cooperating in a safety enforcement emphasis program. Patrol officers have been instructed to increase violator contacts during the four-month period.

In an effort to identify and bring to the motorist's attention vehicle safety equipment needing maintenance attention, officers will be checking the condition of all vehicles stopped for violations.

## LIST OF ITEMS

Items to be checked are:

— Steering: for excessive play or hard operation.

— Brakes: for effectiveness.

— Horn: for operation and loudness.

— Mirrors: for adjustment and clarity.

— Windshield and windows: for unobscured vision.

— Visibility equipment: for effective operation of defrosters, windshield wipers and washers.

— Headlights: for intensity and aim.

— Other lights: for proper working order.

— Tires: for wear and for indications of poor wheel alignment and/or faulty balance.

— Exhaust system: for leaks or noise.

## STRONGER LAWS

Officers are to report their findings for local and statewide tabulation and analysis to encourage needed legislation to make Michigan streets and highways safer.

"We have no intention of being unduly harsh with motorists in our area," area chiefs and the sheriff agreed. "This is fair warning that we simply want to do all we can to improve driving behavior and help make sure we have safer vehicles on our highways."

"Unless we do more and unless the public does more to halt the spiraling trend of the past five years in our traffic toll, the next five months threaten to be the worst in Michigan history."

"That's the pure and simple reason for this united effort."

Statewide organizations backing the program include the Michigan Sheriff's Association; Michigan State Police; Michigan Safety Commission; Michigan Federation of Safety Organizations; Traffic Safety for Michigan, Inc., (which underwrote the publication of program materials); and Michigan State University Highway Traffic Safety Center (which is handling the statewide compilation and summarization of reports).

## OVER WEEKEND

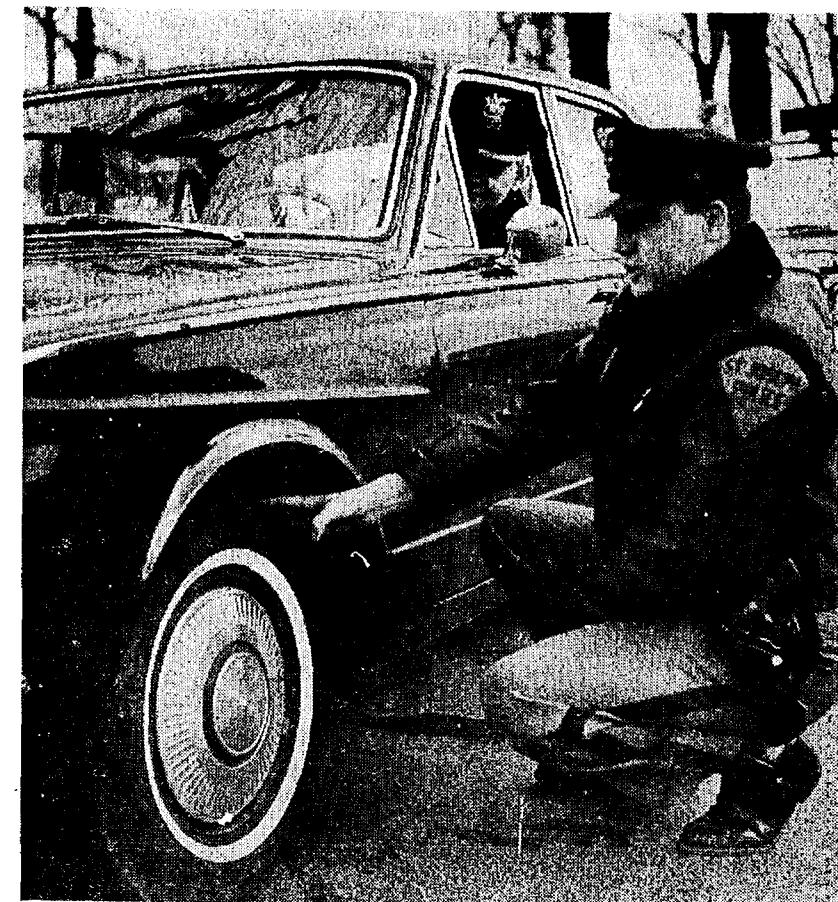
4 Burglaries  
Reported At  
South Haven

SOUTH HAVEN — Four burglaries were investigated by police in the South Haven area during the weekend.

City police said the custom body shop owned by James Wesby and the George Pentecost service station located on Blue Star Memorial highway were found burglarized Saturday morning. In both cases windows were broken and Polaroid cameras were stolen.

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FOR SAFETY'S SAKE: St. Joseph policeman Ronald Smith, kneeling, and David Agay check the safety equipment on an auto after stopping it to issue a warning on a minor driving infraction. All vehicles stopped during the next four months by Berrien county law officers will be checked for safe operating equipment. (Staff photo)

Wayne Township Hall  
Burglarized, Burned

DOWAGIAC — Arson is believed to be the cause of a fire that did considerable damage to records and property at the Wayne township hall Sunday, according to the Cass county sheriff's department.

The blaze was reported to the Twin Lakes fire department at 12:30 a.m. Sunday by Jerry

Pond of Decatur who said he noticed the blaze while driving by on Glenwood avenue.

The hall's basement and rear section were badly charred before firemen could extinguish the fire. Deputies said someone had done "considerable vandalism" to the township records

and had then started the fire in an attempt to hide the burglary.

Boy Run Over By  
Truck -- Just Bruised

GALION — A near tragedy occurred on Grant street Saturday afternoon when Dale Bailey, 5, was run over by a trash disposal truck but miraculously escaped serious injury, according to sheriff's deputies at the Buchanan station.

They explained that young Dale, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bailey, 204 Grant street, was riding his small bicycle in front of his home when he tipped over

At that time a trash disposal truck driven by Louis Gerold of 208 East Second street, Galion, started backing onto the driveway from the street. The truck passed over the boy but stopped when Gerold heard Dale screaming.

By then the boy and his bike were under the motor, uninjured but very frightened. Dale was treated for a bruised foot by a doctor after the incident.

Hall fell from a stop and young Dale fell in front of the wheel.

At the hospital said the large tractor wheel passed completely over the boy's head but other than an injury to his ear there was no other apparent injury.

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Steven's father said a doctor at the hospital said the large vehicle had passed completely over the boy's head but other than an injury to his ear there was no other apparent injury.

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